

RESOLUTION NO. 071414-2

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS RELATED TO CITY FACILITIES, AS PREPARED BY AN AD HOC COMMITTEE OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, KANSAS

WHEREAS, the City of Abilene established an ad hoc committee to study to review existing municipal facilities and provide a recommendation on the long-term facility needs of the City of Abilene.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Commission of the City of Abilene, as follows:

Section 1. Findings of Fact. The Committee makes the following findings with respect to the long-term facility needs of the City of Abilene, Kansas:

- A. The existing City Hall facility is no longer sufficient to meet present and long-term needs of the community.
- B. Rehabilitation of the existing facility was considered, although it was determined that such action would be cost-prohibitive and not in the best interest of the community over the long-term.

Section 2. Committee Recommendations. Based on the aforementioned Findings of Fact, the Committee makes the following recommendations for the City Commission review and consideration:

- A. The City should begin negotiations with Pinnacle Bank with the intent of acquiring its Spruce Street branch to serve as the facilities for Administrative services.
- B. The City should identify and acquire a site, or sites, that would allow for new Police and Fire facilities.
- C. A 20-year, 0.5% general sales tax should be submitted to voters for consideration for the November 2014 General Election. The sales tax would not become effective until after the 0.35% sales tax, used to fund Library/Pool improvements, sunsets in 2018.
- D. Finally, the existing City Hall building should be abandoned and demolished. The site would be retained as a parking lot and/or park until such time as it may be repurposed by the City.

Section 3. Acceptance. The City Commission hereby accepts the aforementioned Findings of Fact and the Recommendations procured by the Committee. The City Manager shall take actions necessary to facilitate a sales tax question for consideration by qualified registered voters of the City of Abilene, Kansas, for the November 2014 General Election, and shall prepare a plan for the City Commission's review and approval for implementation of the Recommendations.

Section 4. Effective Date. That the effects of this Resolution shall be in full force after its approval by the City Commission.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Governing Body of the City of Abilene, Kansas this 14th day of July, 2014.



CITY OF ABILENE, KANSAS

By: *Brenda Finn Bowers*
Brenda Finn Bowers, Mayor

ATTEST:

Penny Soukup, CMC
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City Clerk